

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of Vorlop et al)
 Application No. 09/720,190)
 Filed: 20 February 2001)
 For: *Process for Producing a Polyvinyl*)
Alcohol Gel and a Mechanically Highly)
Stable Gel Produced Thereby)
 Attorney Docket No. 64251-010)

Group Art Unit: 1713
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RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Amendment removed for Exam's request against 6/21/02 W. M. 9/29/02
 In response to the Office Action, Paper No. 6, dated 24 June 2002, applicant submits the following response and amendment:

In the Claims

Please amend claims 1, 4, 5 and 20 and add new claims 25-30 as follows:

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Transmitted herewith for filing in the patent application of **Klaus-Dieter Vorlop and Maren Jekel** are the following:

Response and Amendment

CLAIMS AS AMENDED

	(1)		(2)	(3)		
	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	30	Minus	24	6	X \$18	\$108
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	1	Minus	3	3	X \$84	\$0
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM ADDED					\$280	\$0
				TOTAL		\$108
If applicant has small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here.				SMALL ENTITY TOTAL		\$

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